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KLAUS-DIETER BLUMENBERG ET AL) Expedited Under CFR 1.116
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TITLE: METHOD FOR PRODUCING) EXAMINER: M. V. EINSMANN
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 14, 2003, made final. Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks including a Declaration, advancing the application to a condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants request that the claims be amended as follows.

A separate Petition for Extension of Time is being filed simultaneously herewith.

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